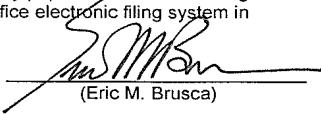


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### AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Madam:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2008 (“Office Action”), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

This amendment is timely filed in view of the petition for a 2-month extension of time and requisite fee, filed herewith. No additional fees are believed to be due in connection with this filing; however, should any fees be necessary in connection with this document, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Marshall, Gerstein & Borun, LLP deposit account number 13-2855 under order number 30699/42250.